# Economic Development

# Stamford—ONE GREAT CITY

# **HARBOR POINT**

One of the largest redevelopment projects in the U.S., Harbor Point consists of 6,000,000 square feet of residential, retail, office, hotel space, and a marina. Catering to the transit-oriented, Harbor Point is a central hub for commuters in and out of New York City. Harbor Point has two new residential towers, two new Class A office buildings and a large retail anchor store.

## VITA WELLNESS DISTRICT

Stamford Hospital is leading the way with a \$575 Million expansion, which will include the creation of a Health and Wellness District. The VITA Health and Wellness District, a partnership between the City of Stamford, Stamford's housing authority Charter Oak Communities, the Stamford Hospital and Optimus Health Care, seeks to make Stamford's West side neighborhood a model for connecting residents to health services, opportunities for fitness and active recreation, more healthy food choices, and health education programs.

# **DOWNTOWN**

Stamford is recognized by HUD, EPA and DOT as a leader in Smart Growth TOD commercial and residential development. The focus Downtown is on residential development around the Stamford Transportation Center. Several residential developments are either under construction or having received Zoning Board approval.



What kind of a city is Stamford? One that's vibrant, resilient, resourceful and endlessly reinventing itself. As the third largest city in the state and the seventh largest city in New England, Stamford is best known for its diverse neighborhoods, safety record, quality of life offerings, and extensive business climate.

In the 18th century, Stamford was known as a shipping center. By the 19th century, industries began to spring up. The entrepreneurial spirit has always been evident in Stamford, first with Yale and Towne and their famous lock, Pitney and Bowes with their postage meter. A post-WWII Stamford emerged as the "research city" with the arrival of CBS Labs and Audio Tapes. The vision to redevelop the downtown created an economic engine that paved the way for the corporations of the 60's and 70's and built the foundation for modern Stamford's thriving economic and social core. Many fortune 500 companies base their operations in "The city that works".

Stamford is the safest city in New England and the 15<sup>th</sup> safest City in the United States.

Stamford's commercial base is thriving and always growing. The city offers state and local financial incentives, a sound infrastructure and access to major transportation options.

Corporate Headquarters include RBS, Harmon International, Nestlé Waters, Affinion Group, Design Within Reach, Starwood Hotels, NBC Sports Group, charter Communications, Tronox Corp, Intrepid Aviation, Tweedy Browne, United Rentals, and Kayak. Stamford is proud of its strong and diverse corporate base which includes finance and insurance, general management, retail/wholesale, professional, scientific & technical, health care and social assistance, manufacturing and hospitality.



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